
DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

1-90. Regional Geographic Initiatives Assistance Funding for Regional Initiatives

1. PURPOSE: This Order redelegates certain authorities conferred on the Regional Administrator by Delegation 1-90 of the EPA Delegations Manual.
2. AUTHORITY: To approve regional geographic initiatives assistance agreements (i.e., grants and cooperative agreements) for development, monitoring, public education, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys, and studies related to the Regional Geographic Initiatives Program, to the extent authorized, under the following statutes:

- a. Clean Water Act, Section 104;
- b. Safe Drinking Water Act, Section 1442;
- c. Solid Waste Disposal Act, Section 8001;
- d. Clean Air Act, Section 103;
- e. Toxic Substances Control Act, Section 10;
- f. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, Section 20;
- g. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, Sections 104 and 311;
- h. Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act, Section 203;
- i. Pollution Prevention Act, Section 6605; and
- j. National Environmental Education Act, Section 6.

3. TO WHOM REDELEGATED: The Director of the Caribbean Environmental Protection Division, the Director of the Division of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance, the Director of the Clean Water Division, the Director of the Clean Air and Sustainability Division, the Director of the Emergency and Remedial Response Division, the Director of the Division of Environmental Science and Assessment, the Assistant Regional Administrator for Policy and Management, and the Director of the Public Affairs Division.

4. LIMITATIONS:

- a. This delegation is limited to the Regional Geographic Initiatives assistance agreements.

- b. The Assistant Administrator for the Office of Research and Development must be consulted on any Regional Geographic Initiatives Program effort when resources from the Science and Technology appropriation are used.

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c. With respect to CERCLA Section 104 assistance, this authority may be exercised only for funding at sites that are contained within the funding levels approved by the Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

5. FURTHER REDELEGATION: This authority may not be further redelegated.


6. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES:

a. Requirements of 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter B, Grants and Other Federal Assistance, as applicable; other applicable program regulations, Federal assistance statutes, including the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 USC § 6301 et seq.; EPA's Assistance Administration Manual, and the requirements of EPA Order Series 5700.

b. Region 2's standard operating procedures (SOPs) that set forth division-specific concurrence and approval protocols for processing funding recommendations and commitment notices in the Integrated Grants Management System (IGMS). For agreements funded with monies from outside the project officer's division, the SOPs require that the funds controllers in those divisions with budget authority be included in the IGMS commitment notice concurrence chain. In addition, Project Officers should consult the SOPs for the organization where the funds originated.

c. EPA Delegation 1-14-A, which gives the authority to execute grants and cooperative agreements to Regional Administrators, who may further redelegate.

7. SUPERSESSION: This redelegation supersedes Regional Order R-1200 (redelegation of 1-90) dated April 19, 2004.


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